

Rode-Kothe Barn  
Cherry Spring, Texas  
Gillespie Co.

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BARN AT CHERRY SPRINGS  
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The present owner and occupant is Wm. Kothe.

Mr. Kothe bought the place in 1932.

The original owner and occupant was Dietrich Rode. Dates of construction are not available. The property changed hands a number of times, but dates and list of intermediate owners are not available.

The present corrugated galvanized iron roof was placed in 1930, replacing the original shingle roof. There was no Architect, and the work was done by local carpenters.

The building stands on the original site.

Date of original construction is not known, but Mr. Rode, the original owner, was the Architect and Builder.

No particular historic incidents are known. Mr. Rode was evidently a man of considerable architectural ability.

The barn was part of an elaborately planned establishment, and was the first of the group of structures comprising same. It was used as a residence during the construction of the main residence. Plot Plan on Cover Sheet of drawings will explain the complete lay-out.

The timbers and sheathing in the building were cut and sawn locally by a portable saw mill. Some of the lumber came from the Bastrop pine saw mill.

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